

THE PROPER PERSPECTIVE ON PERSECUTION
2 Thessalonians 1:5-10

If you are experiencing persecution for your faith, remember this...

1. Persecution is the product God uses to prove our faith

which is manifest evidence of the righteous judgment of God, that you may be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you also suffer; (5)

2. God will punish our persecutors

since it is a righteous thing with God to repay with tribulation those who trouble you, (6)

3. The persecuted will experience peace

and to give you who are troubled rest with us when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, (7)

4. The punishment for persecuting the people of God is permanent

in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. These shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power, (8-9)

5. The pain of persecution will be forgotten when we are experiencing the pleasures of heaven

when He comes, in that Day, to be glorified in His saints and to be admired among all those who believe, because our testimony among you was believed. (10)